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Reviews by the Gazette's Jacob Siskind and CJAD's Leslie Roberts have seriously misrepresented Sir George Williams University's current production of Michael McClure's THE FEAST, says Professor Norma Springford, Director of the Theatre Arts Section, Department of Fine Arts.

In his Thursday review Mr. Siskind stated that two students were " ... wandering around in their birthday suits (no pasties, just an abbrieviated G-string)..." "This is not true," says Professor Springford. "The Two actresses concerned wear full black chiffon, floor length, and long white cloaks. The very minor moments when their bodies were revealed in shadows were misinterpreted as the raison d'être of the play. This irresponsible journalism was compounded by Mr. Leslie Roberts' editorial this morning on CJAD." By his own admission Mr. Roberts had not seen the play.

Professor Alfred Pinsky, Chairman of the Department of Fine Arts, commented, "In choosing to erroneously stress such a minor facet of the play, Mr. Siskind has violated a beautiful and sensitive work of art. Both Mr. Siskind and Mr. Roberts, by their reviews, contribute nothing to good theatre or to a critical appreciation and understanding of the students' endeavors."

Performances of the play will be given tonight and tomorrow at 8:30 p.m. in the University theatre.

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